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8	UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT		
9	FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA		
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11	VERTERRA, LTD, ET AL.,	2:23-cv-0290-KJN	V
12	Plaintiff,	<u>ORDER</u>	
13	v.		
14	LEAFWARE, LLC.		
15	Defendant.		
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18	On February 16, 2023, plaintiffs filed this patent infringement case against defendant		
19	Leafware, LLC. (ECF No. 1.) Defendant has been served and filed its answer. (ECF Nos. 5, 17.)		
20	Under the Initial Scheduling Order, all parties were to inform the Clerk of Court of their		
21	decision whether to consent or decline to magistrate judge jurisdiction for all purposes in this case		
22	by filing their Consent/Decline form (ECF No. 4-1) within ninety days of the date the action was		
23	filed, in this case by May 17, 2023. (ECF No. 4 at 2, para. 2.) A review of the docket indicates		
24	that no Consent/Decline forms have yet been submitted. There is no obligation to consent, and no		
25	judge will be notified of a party's decision unless all parties have consented. See Fed. R. Civ. P.		
26	73(b)(1). However, for proper case administration, each party must inform the Clerk of Court		
27	whether it consents to magistrate judge jurisdiction for all purposes. Therefore, the court		
28	ORDERS that all parties file their Consent/Decline forms within seven days.		
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Additionally, the Initial Scheduling Order required parties to file a joint status report within thirty days of filing an answer addressing the subjects listed in Local Rule 240(a) to assist the court in setting a scheduling order for the case. (See ECF No. 4, para. 3.) However, that deadline only applies if all parties consent to magistrate judge jurisdiction for all purposes under 28 U.S.C. § 636(c). In the event that not all parties consent, this case would be randomly reassigned to a district judge as presiding judge, and that district judge would direct the case's scheduling. (See ECF No. 4, para. 3.) **ORDER** Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that all parties file their Consent/Decline forms within seven days. Dated: March 22, 2023 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE kara.1677.